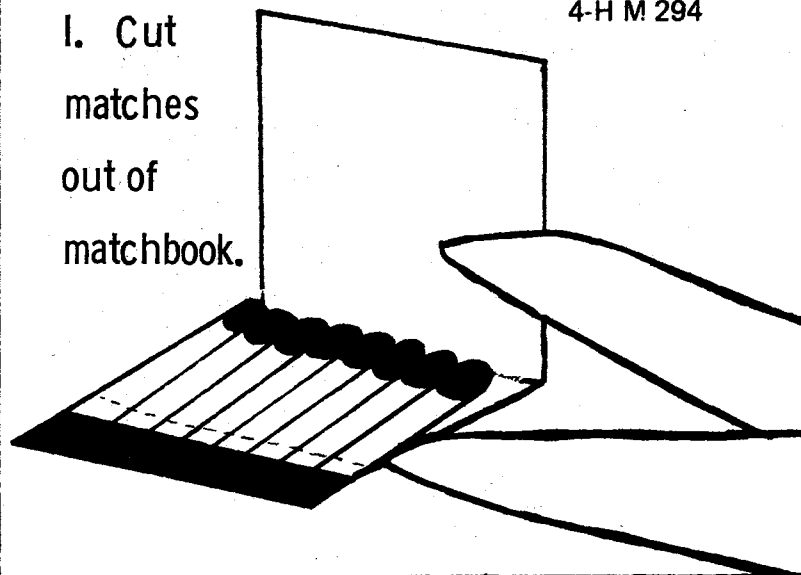


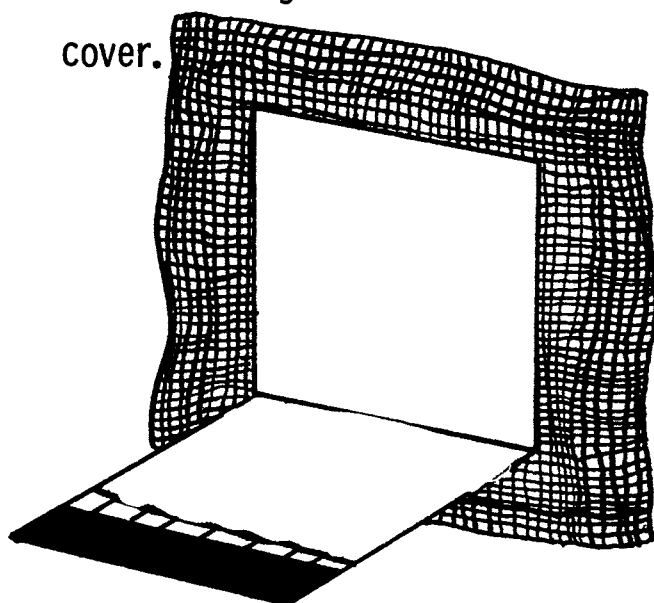
MATCHBOOK SEWING

This sewing kit will help you if you have a rip or tear. You can take it camping or on a trip or to school. You can keep it in your purse or billfold or desk.

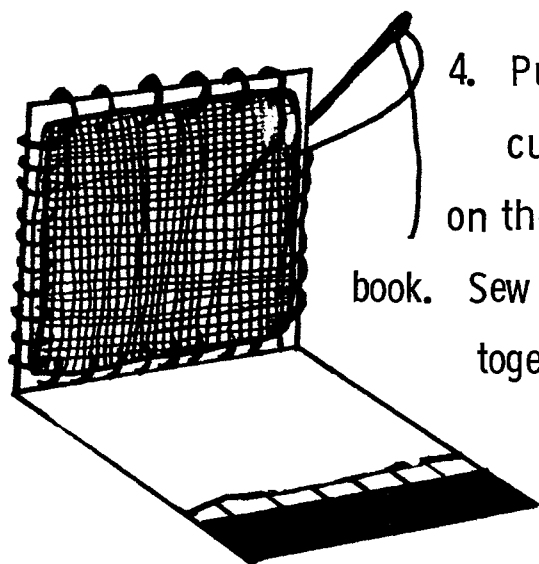
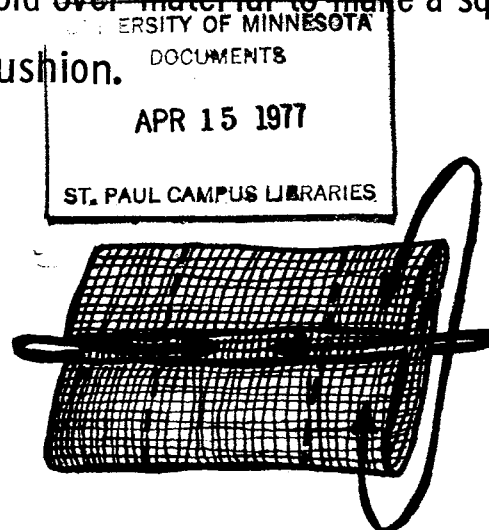
1. Cut matches out of matchbook.



2. Cut fabric larger than the matchbook cover.



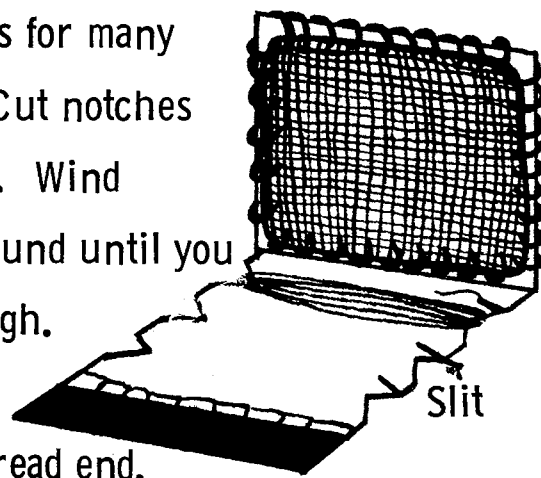
3. Fold over material to make a square cushion.



4. Put cushion on the matchbook. Sew edges together.

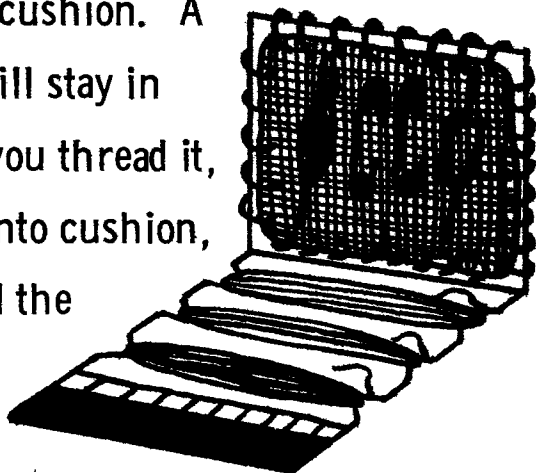
5. Choose thread that matches most of your clothes. Black and white are good colors for many clothes. Cut notches for thread. Wind thread around until you have enough.

Cut a slit to hold thread end.

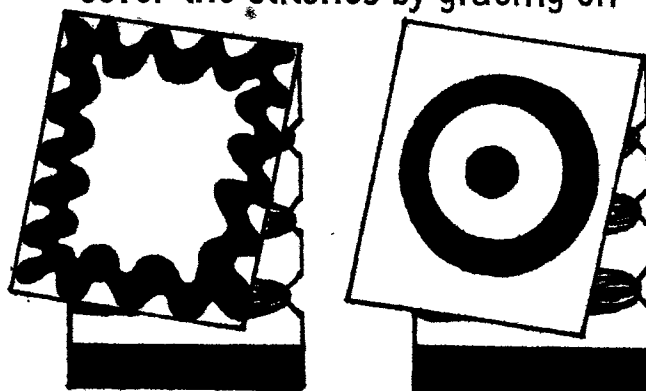


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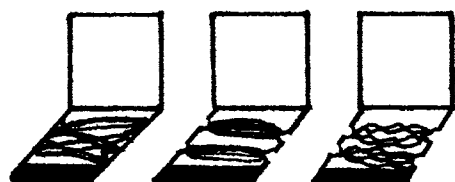
6. Put two needles and two safety pins into the cushion. A needle will stay in place if you thread it, stick it into cushion, and wind the thread around.



7. On the outside of the matchbook cover the stitches by glueing on



paper or material.
Make your own design.



Check what thread is organized.

Now your kit will help you help yourself. You don't need to ask anyone else.
You don't need to waste time by looking for a needle and thread.

Do groups help you get organized? _____yes _____no

Will you use this kit? _____

Could this be a present to someone? _____

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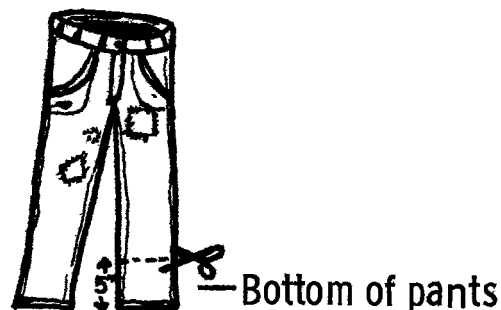
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LETTER BAG

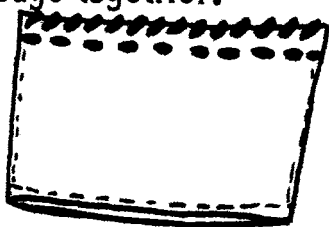
This letter bag is for everything you need to write a letter. You can have it with you on a trip or by your desk at home.

1. Use the bottom of cut off pants or pajamas.

Measure 5 inches from the bottom.

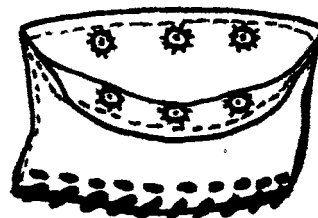


2. Sew cut edge together.



You can sew with yarn and a big needle or embroidery thread to make it colorful.

3. Sew snaps on the other end --



in the inside.

Be careful that the snaps are

across from each other.

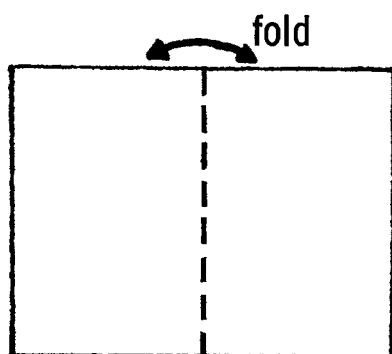
Circle other things that can fit into this bag:

Elephant; jacks & ball; deck of cards; shoes.

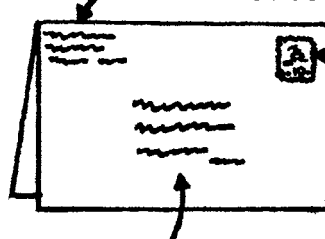
4. Cut colored paper 4 inches by 6 inches.

Fold along the long way.

(It can be bigger like 6" x 6")



5. (Your address)



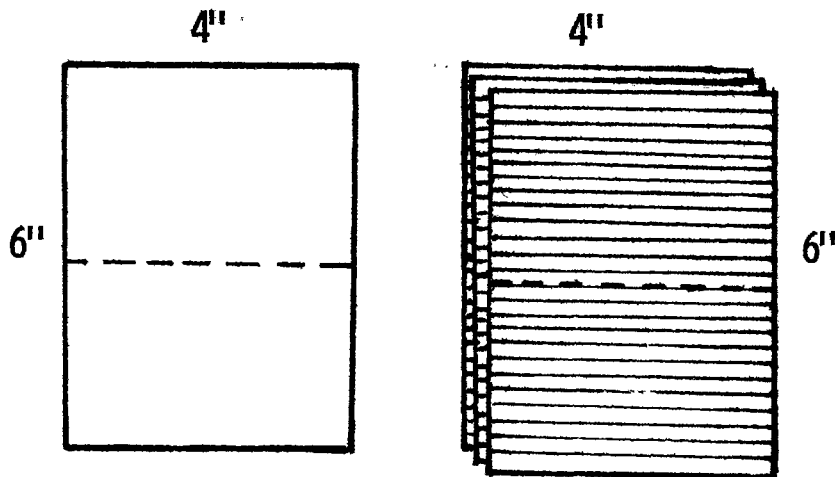
Put stamp on outside of fold.

(Your friend's address)

These are your letter cards. You write the letter on the inside and back.

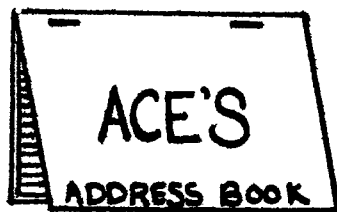
6. The address book is for the names and addresses of people you write to.

Cut a paper cover 4" x 6". Cut lined papers 4" x 6".

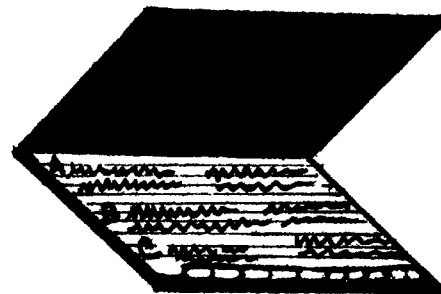


The lined paper goes on top of the paper cover, then fold over.

Staple the top.



Cut notches in papers so you can see where the names are. Put in names and addresses of people you write to.



Will this make it easier and faster to write a letter to your friends?

Yes

No

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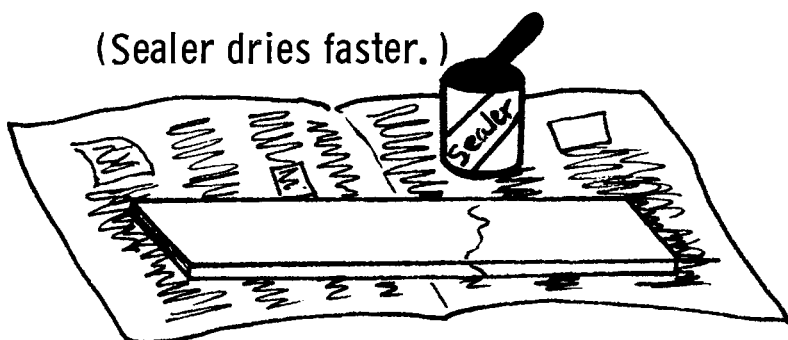
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JAR ORGANIZER

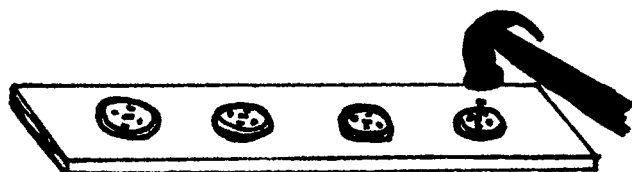


This organizer will help you see what you have. Each container can hold something special. You need wood, jars, and nails.

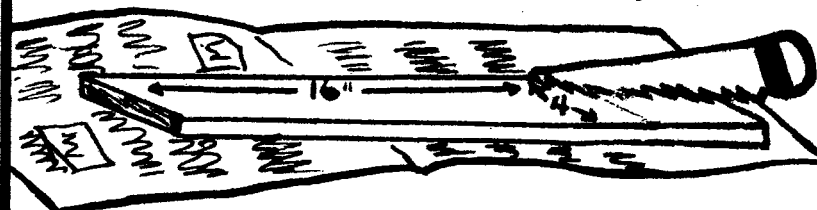
2. Paint board with sealer or shellac. (Sealer dries faster.)



4. Nail lids to board. Place 3" to 4" apart. Use 4 or 5 nails for each lid.

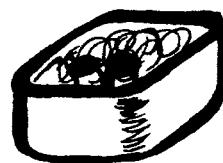


6. Place where often used. Put on wall with brackets or nail to bottom of cupboard.



1. Spread newspapers. Cut board 4" by 16". Smooth edges with sandpaper. Brush away dust.

3. Wash and dry jars and lids. Use clear, small jars with metal screw on lids. Baby food jars might not



screw on tight.



5. Make labels for jars.

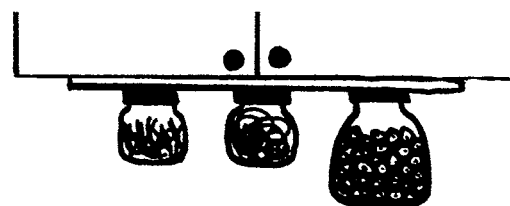
Spices - cinnamon, nutmeg or the spices you use.

Workshop - screws, nails, tacks, etc.

Desk - rubber bands, tacks, paperclips, etc.

Money saver - candy, rollerskating, gifts, etc.

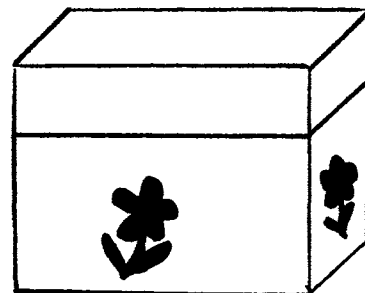
7. Fill jars and screw into lids.



RECIPE FILE OR IDEA FILE

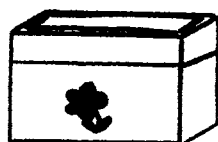
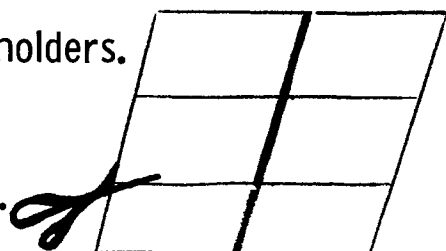
This file will help you keep your favorite recipes in order. The clear holder on top will keep them clean when you are cooking.

1. On large metal recipe file make your design with waterproof spray or enamel paint.



2. Cut one square from large clear plastic photo holders.

Keep top and one side open.

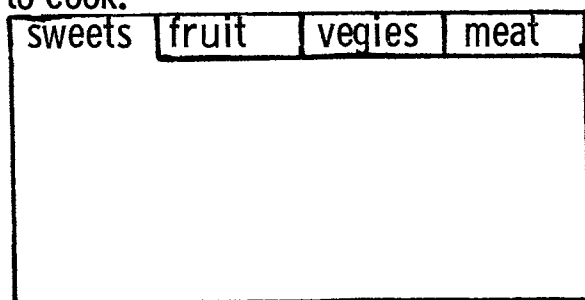


glue to top of box

3. Organize your recipe cards. Cut paper of different colors the size of large recipe card with tabs at different places along the top.

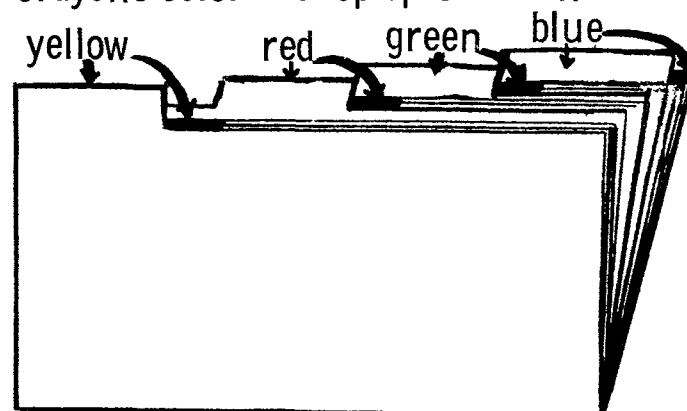


4. Label each divider with food you like to cook.



What group will have the most recipes?

5. Behind each divider put a group of recipe cards. With magic marker or crayons color the top space behind the tab.



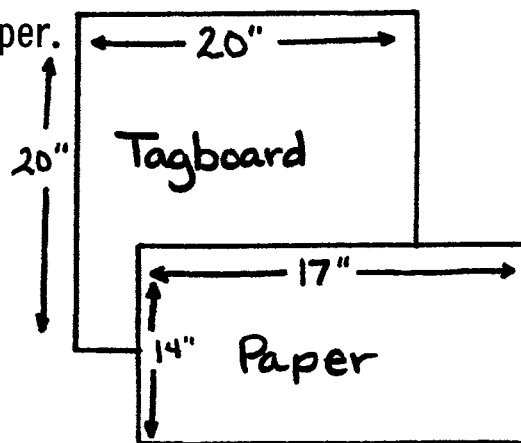
WHAT'S GOIN' ON?

This family calendar will help you and your family remember important dates. Put down special meetings, birthdays and holidays!

Have you ever forgotten a special day?

___ many times ___ sometimes ___ never

1. Cut one piece of tagboard and 12 pieces of paper.



2. Measure off lines for calendar days.

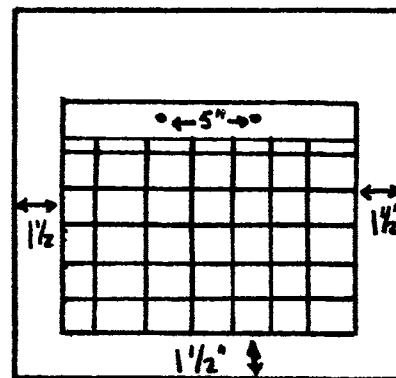
JULY						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Picnic	10	11 Tennis	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Swim	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

2 1/4"

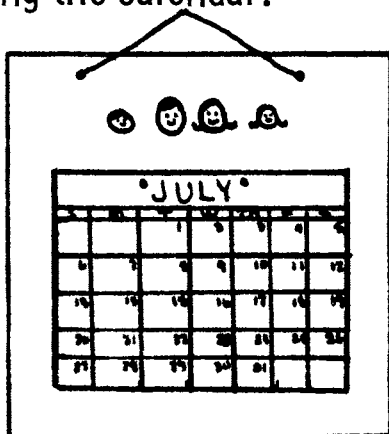
2 1/2"

Number the days for this month and the next 11 months.

3. Punch holes and fasten calendar pages together and to the tagboard with paper fasteners.



4. Draw the people in your family at the top of the calendar. Fasten yarn at the top to hang the calendar.



5. Where will the best place be to put the calendar? _____

Did you forget to put in any important dates or meetings?

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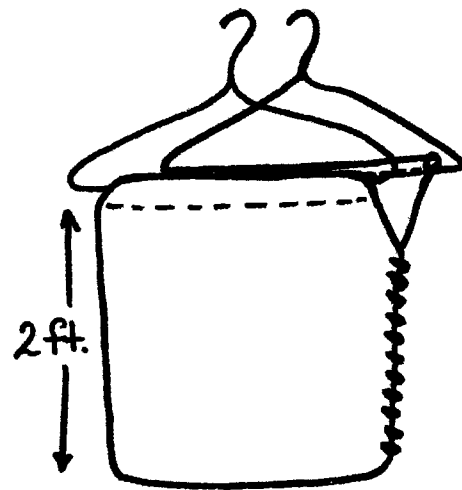
BAG IT AND HANG IT

... for any project or sport or dirty clothes!

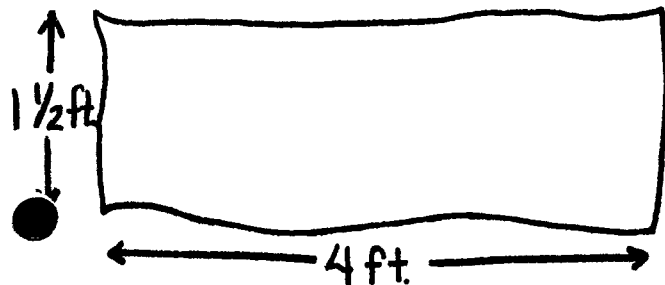
Check what you will use it for:

- _____ mittens and caps
- _____ baseballs
- _____ sewing project
- _____ swimming suit

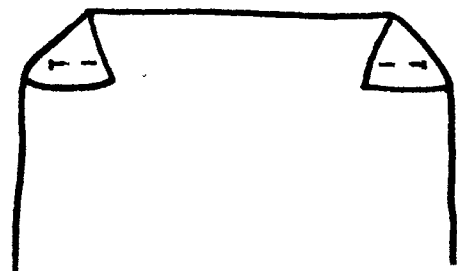
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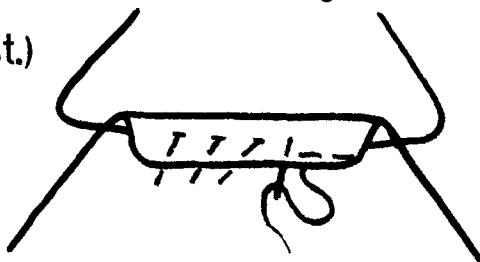
2. For a two foot bag cut material four feet long and two feet wide.



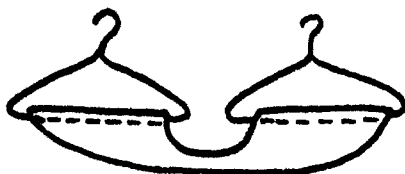
3. The small edge goes on a hanger. Fold the corners in and pin.



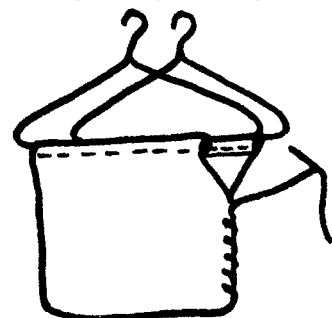
4. Sew top down over the bottom of the hanger. (Machine stitching will be the strongest.)



Do this to both ends. Make sure the hangers face in the same direction.



5. Sew up the sides with bright yarn. If you want a larger opening, don't sew to the top.



Where can you use this? _____

Will it help you find what you want?

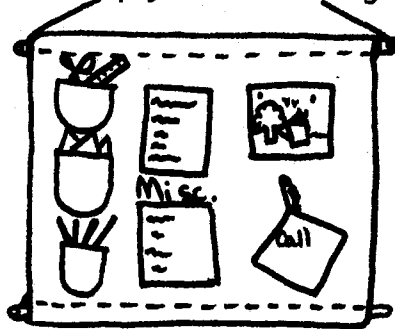
_____ yes _____ no

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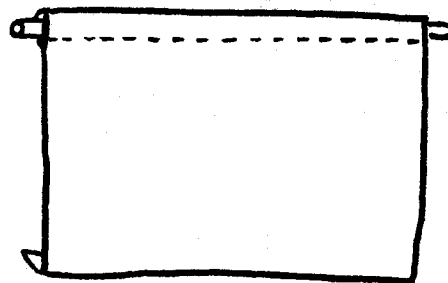
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RESOURCE BULLETIN BOARD

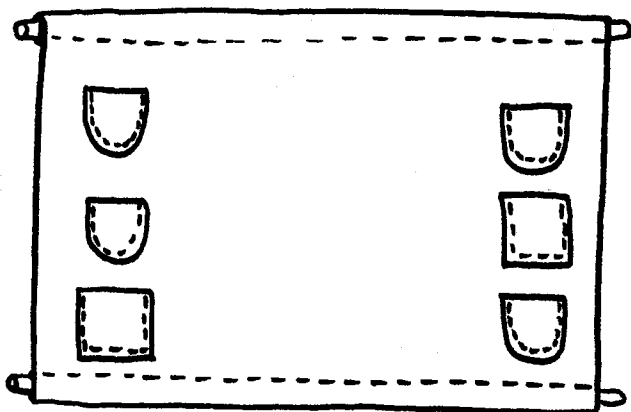
This is a cloth bulletin board that will help you keep your ideas together.



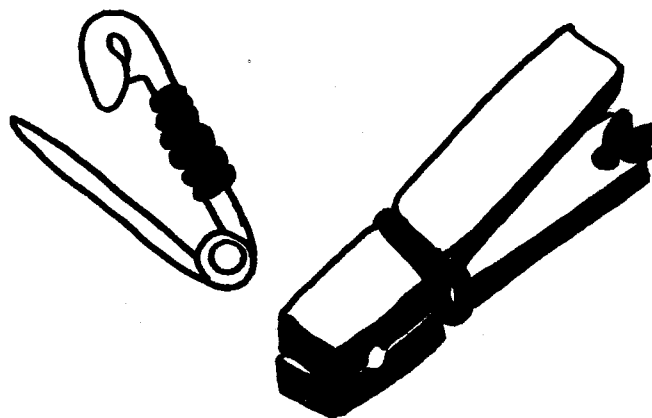
1. Cut burlap the size you want.
Make a hem on the top and bottom.
Put in dowels the width you need.



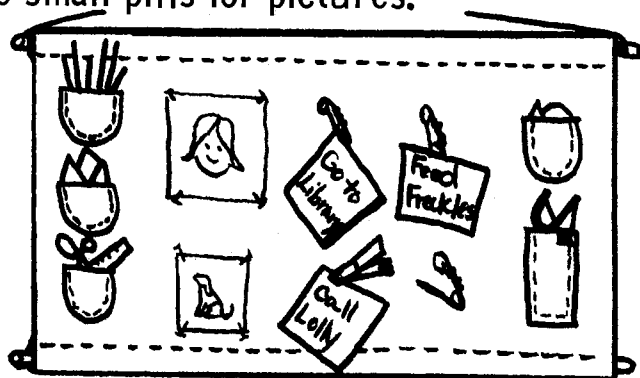
2. Cut felt pockets to sew on the organizer.
Sew the edges with a running stitch.



3. Sew large safety pins on with yarn or clothes pins on with yarn.



4. Use the large pins to pin up notes.
Use the pockets for pencils, small books, etc.
Use small pins for pictures.



5. What will you keep here?

pencils	money	notes
ruler	pins	scissors
telephone list	time schedule	pictures

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Sometimes we need help in saving our money.

Name three special goals you would save your money for.

Goal 1. _____

Goal 2. _____

Goal 3. _____

1. Use three containers with lids. Decide on the size by the amount of money that you need to save up. Match the size with the goal.

Coffee can

Roller skating

Olive jar

Bicycle

Baby food jar

Fishing pole

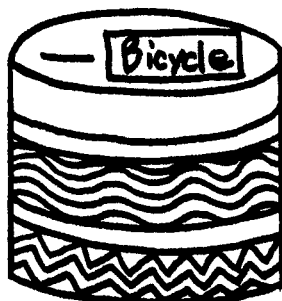
2. Decorate the outside of the container with material or paper. Leave a peek-hole so you can watch your resources grow.



3. Use an elastic band or ribbon to put the three containers together.



4. On the plastic or metal lid, make a money slit. Label each lid by a paper showing your goal.



5. Now put the lids on and put in your first pennies.

Where will you keep your resource saver? _____

When do you hope to reach your goals?

Goal 1. _____

Goal 2. _____

Goal 3. _____

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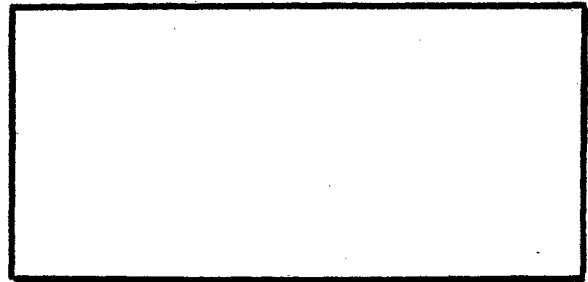
DRAWER DIVIDER

Have you ever lost something because your drawer gets mixed up?

This will help you keep your desk or dresser drawer more organized.

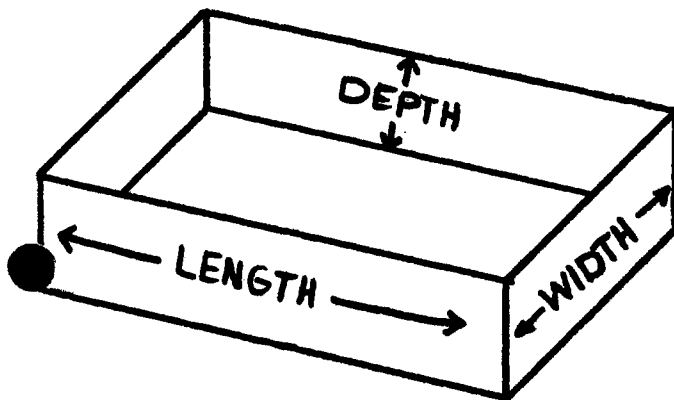
What things will go into this drawer?

1. Make a plan.



Divide this drawer by straight lines. Do you need some bigger or smaller spaces?

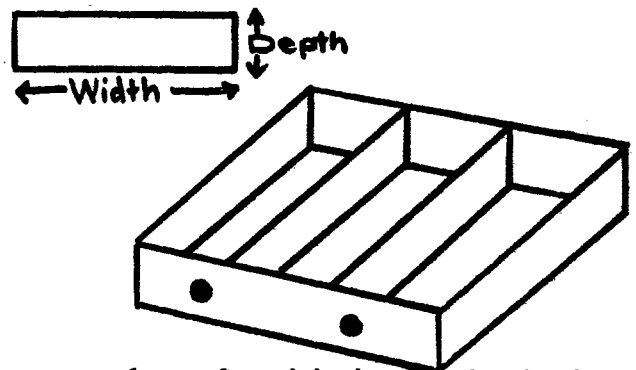
2. Measure the depth _____



Width _____

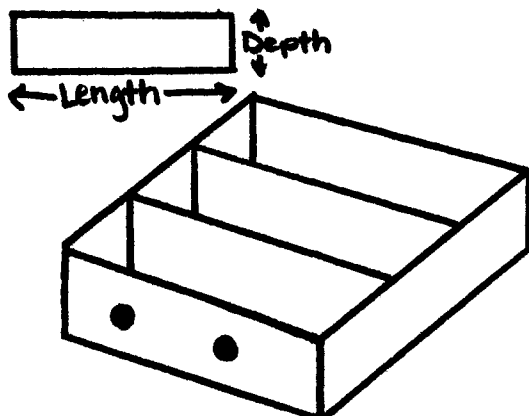
Length _____

3. From cardboard cut front to back dividers that are the right depth and width.



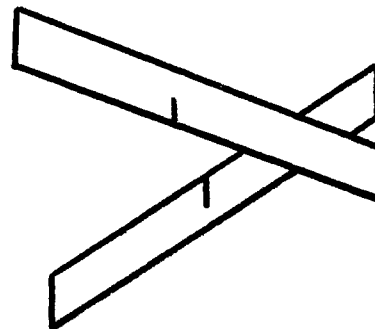
These go from front to back. Look at your plan. How many do you need?

4. Now cut the cross pieces. They will be the measurements of the length and depth.



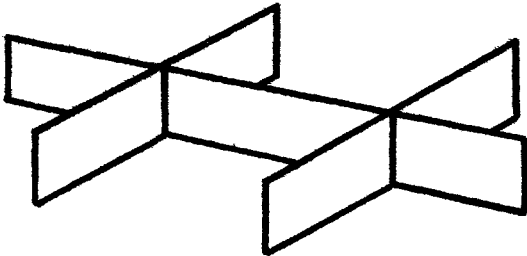
They will go from the left to the right.

5. Mark where the two dividers meet.

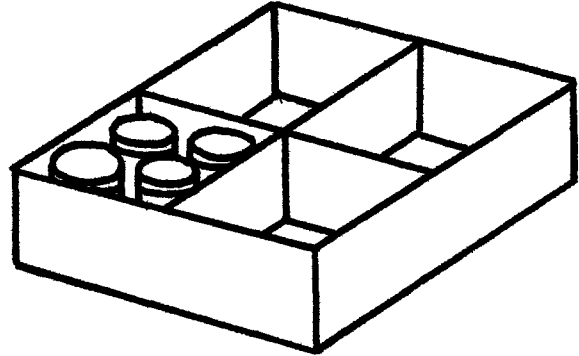


Make a slit on the bottom half of the cross pieces and the top half of the front to back pieces.

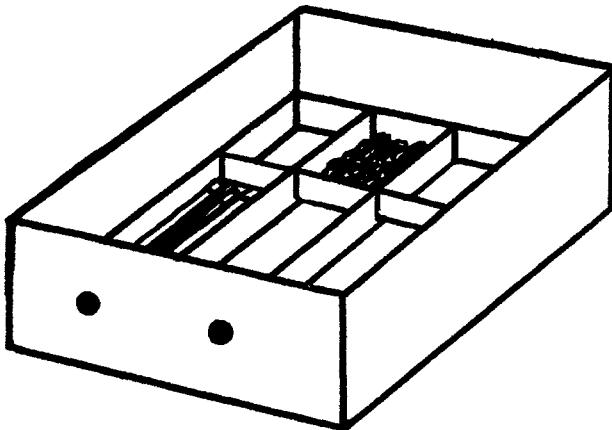
6. They will fit together like puzzle pieces.



7. Use small containers (metal boxes, jars, or cardboard boxes) for small things that get lost like fishing tackle or jewelry or buttons.



Use plastic kitchen divider trays for pencils, rulers, or scissors.



How will a drawer divider help you be more organized?

- _____ won't lose things.
- _____ will find things quickly.
- _____ will remember what I have.
- _____ will find things by myself instead of asking Mom or Dad.
- _____ will become a better self manager!

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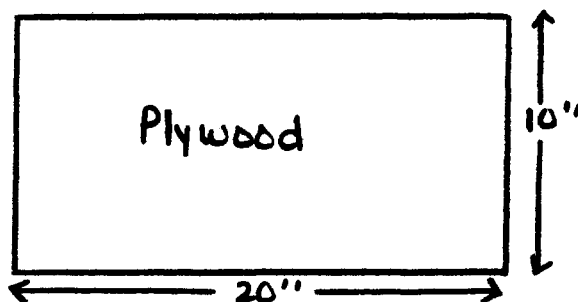
CORK BOARD

This cork board can remind you and your family of important ideas and meetings. It will also help you keep important things together.

Check if your notes would be about:

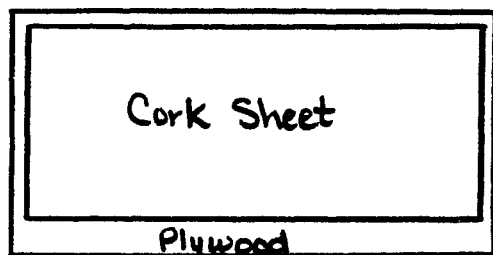
- ☐ Swimming lessons
 ☐ Shopping list
 ☐ 4-H Share-the-Fun
 ☐ Lunch money

1. Cut a plywood board that is about 10"x20".



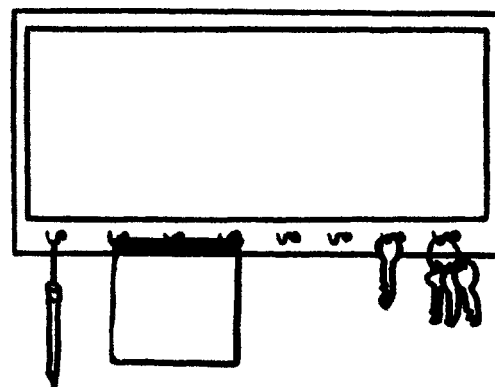
You can shellac or paint the board. Remember to put newspaper around to avoid a mess.

2. Cut cork sheets 1/4" to 1/2" thick about 8"x18". Glue the cork with white glue or epoxy.



Leave space on the top or bottom.

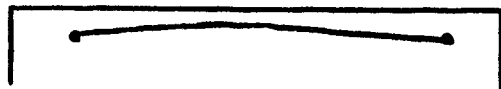
3. In the space screw in cup-hooks. This can be for keeping pencils or a note pad.



4. To make a hanging clip, make a nail hole with a hand drill,



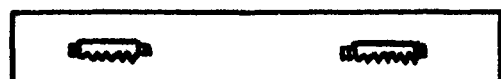
or nail wire across the back,



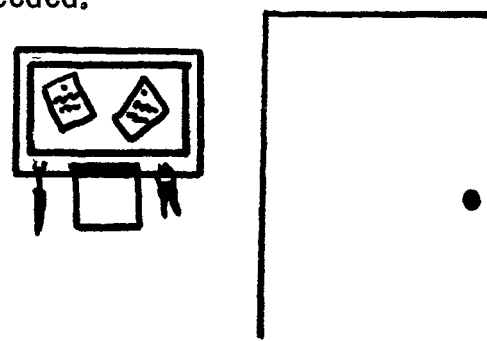
or screw in a round latch,



or nail in picture hangers.



5. Decide upon the place where the board is most needed.



Ask your mom or dad the best way to screw or nail this on the wall.

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It is very easy to lose track of all the things for your projects.

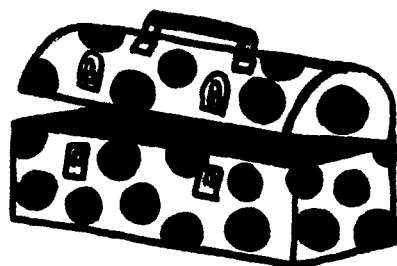
Can these be some of your projects?

- _____ sewing, knitting
- _____ painting
- _____ carpentry
- _____ art projects
- _____ photography
- _____ party games
- _____ garden project
- _____ reading

There are many containers that you can use for your project.

- _____ lunch pail
- _____ plastic ice cream bucket
- _____ cardboard box
- _____ coffee can or box
- _____ grocery box
- _____ shoe box
- _____ fishing tackle box
- _____ unused purse
- _____ unused luggage or trunk

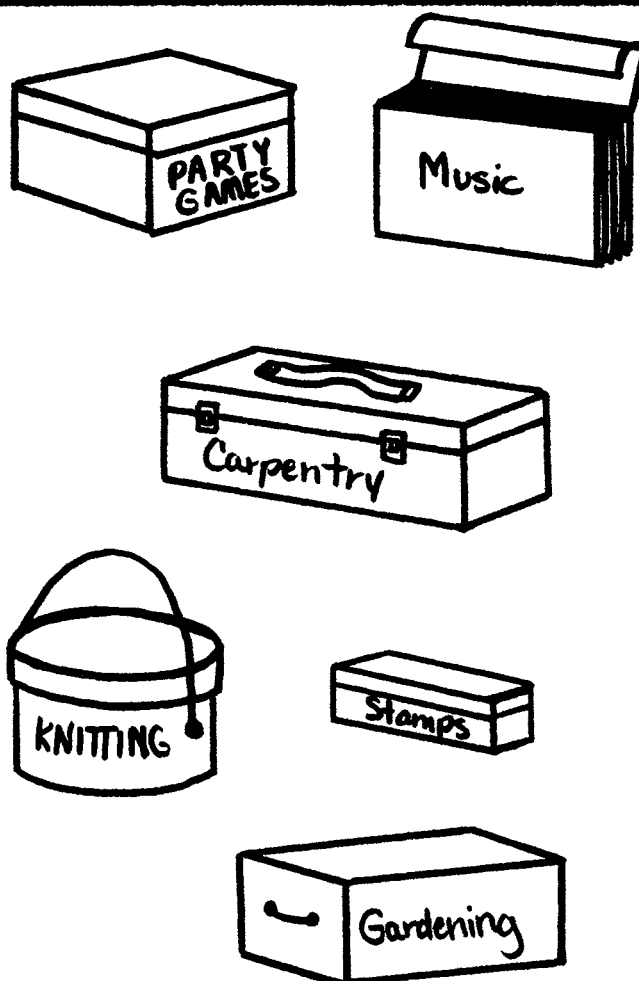
Decorate the container with spray paint or glue and material or paste on magazine pictures and paint with shellac.



Make sure the container is the right size to fit all your project materials.

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